

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

*This amendment uses paragraph numbering taken from the application as published.*

*Please add the following new paragraph after paragraph [0034]:*

FIG. 6 An alternative embodiment in which the chip guide surface is in the form of a sloping surface with a uniform tangent angle.

*Please add the following new paragraph after paragraph [0051]:*

FIG. 6 shows an embodiment in which the chip guide surface 26 of the chip former is not curved but is instead in the form of a sloping surface with a uniform, positive tool face or tangent angle  $\gamma$ . This sloping chip guide surface can be followed by a curved or radius-provided chip break section 27.